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1. On 23 December 1952, during a special meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Partido del Pueblo (PDP, People's Party - Communist) of Panama, Cesar DE LEON, National PDP Secretary of Propaganda, stated that he had received a letter from Carlos Guillermo DE BELLO Pedreschi in Vienna.¹
2. DE BELLO's letter stated that the World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY) had requested him to notify those concerned in Panama that in January 1953 a preparatory meeting of the WFDY would be held to prepare for an International Conference in Defense of the Rights of Youth. DE BELLO requested and received permission from DE LEON to participate in the preparatory meeting.
3. DE BELLO's letter further stated that representatives from Panama should be sent to the Youth Congress and that the Federacion de Estudiantes de Panama (FEP) should prepare a recovery plan for Panamanian youth, to be presented at the International Conference in Defense of the Rights of Youth, to be held in Prague in February 1953.²

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[REDACTED] Comment. DE BELLO was a delegate of the Panamanian Pro-Peace Committee at the Congress of the People for Peace, which met in Vienna, Austria, in December 1952.

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2 [REDACTED] Comment. The conference was recently postponed until 22-27 March 1953, and the site will be Vienna rather than Prague.

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